

August 28, 2008

Dear Parents,

Your child has just completed a reading inventory test that identifies his/her Zone of Proximal Development (ZPD). This is the zone in which your child should be reading independently. The results of this test enabled me to calculate the number of Accelerated Reader points your child should earn by **Friday, October 3rd**.

Your child will receive two Accelerated Reader grades. If the Accelerated Reader goal, which includes a point goal and a designated number of nonfiction books with a score of 80% or better, is achieved, he/she will receive a "100" for a reading test grade. If the goal is not reached, the reading test grade will reflect the percentage of the goal attained. Each nonfiction book is worth five points of this grade. **All nonfiction books your child reads may be one full point below the lowest level of the ZPD.** Additionally, the average percent correct of all of the Accelerated Reader tests taken during the nine weeks period will be the second reading test grade.

A new goal will be set at the beginning of each nine weeks, and I know your child will work hard to achieve his/her reading goals throughout the year. Your encouragement plays a significant role in your child's success! Thank you so much for your support!



Sincerely,

Martha Bixler

Child's Name: _____ Zone: _____

Goal for October 3rd _____ points

- at least **one** nonfiction book with a score of 80% or better
- at least **one** fiction book with a score of 80% or better

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Please detach the letter above to keep for your records.

Sign the goal info below and return with your child's graded papers the following day.

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Signature _____